

Saturday, August 27, 1960

HIGHLIGHTS

Senate debated conference report on Social Security Amendments of 1960—Aged Medical Care, agreeing to vote on Monday.
Senate committee reported second supplemental appropriations.

Senate

Chamber Action

Routine Proceedings, pages 17954-17971

Bills Introduced: 2 bills and 1 resolution were introduced, as follows: S. 3903-3904; and S. Con. Res. 117.

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Bills Reported: Reports were made as follows:

Report of Committee on the Judiciary entitled "Administered Prices—Bread," together with minority and individual views and illustrations (S. Rept. 1923);

H.R. 12383, the Federal Employees' Compensation Act Amendments of 1960 (S. Rept. 1924); and

H.R. 13161, second supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1961, with amendments (S. Rept. 1925).

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Bill Referred: One House-passed bill was referred to appropriate committee.

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Bills Placed on Calendar: The following two House-passed bills were ordered to be placed on calendar: H.R. 12993, to amend the D.C. Teachers' Salary Act of 1955; and H.R. 13053, to increase the salaries of officers and members of the Metropolitan Police force and the Fire Department of D.C., and the U.S. Park Police, and the White House Police.

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Fort Donelson National Military Park: Senate concurred in House amendments to S. 1066, to revise the boundaries and change the name of Fort Donelson National Military Park. This action cleared the bill for the White House.

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De Soto National Memorial: S. 1214, to increase from 25 to 30 the number of acres of land the Secretary of Interior is authorized to acquire for establishment of the De Soto National Memorial, in Florida, was cleared for White House when Senate concurred in House amendments thereto.

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Second Supplemental Appropriations: By unanimous consent, it was made in order for Senate to consider on Monday, August 29, H.R. 13161, second supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1961.

Senator Hayden filed four notices of intention to move to suspend rules for purpose of offering amendments to H.R. 13161.

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Public Lands—Maine: Senate passed with amendments S. 3299, to provide for the conveyance to the State of Maine of certain lands located in such State. Motion to reconsider passage tabled.

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Roger Williams National Monument: S. 3830, to provide for the establishment of the Roger Williams National Monument, was passed without amendment. Motion to reconsider passage tabled.

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Arms Control Printing: Report by National Planning Association Special Project Committee on Arms Control on "Strengthening the Government for Arms Control," was ordered to be printed as S. Doc. 123.

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Social Security Amendments—Aged Medical Care: Senate debated conference report on H.R. 12580, Social Security Amendments of 1960—Aged Medical Care, reaching agreement to vote at 2 p.m. Monday, August 29, on question of its adoption, time to be divided equally between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. Yeas and nays have been ordered on the question.

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17979-17984, 17985-18000, 18026-18056, 18067

International Food Program: S. Con. Res. 116, expressing the sense of Congress that the President should explore the creation of an international food program, was adopted. Motion to reconsider tabled.

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Taxes—Cigars: Senate renewed its consideration of and passed (motion to reconsider tabled) H.R. 10960, relative to the determination of retail prices for purposes of excise tax on cigars, after adopting the following amendments:

Williams amendment to close a loophole in Internal Revenue Code respecting Virgin Islands; Williams amendment to exempt from filing estimated income tax returns, those whose tax liability is less than \$40; Williams amendment respecting farmers' writeoff of purchases of lime; Anderson amendment respecting

leasing of property in Virgin Islands by scientific organizations; Bennett amendment respecting tax treatment of real estate investment trusts; Bennett amendment allowing deduction of \$50 per month for care of foreign student in one's home; Kerr amendment respecting sale of mortgages to National Mortgage Association; Kerr amendment respecting tax on domestic lighters; and Javits amendment respecting tax exemption for certain pension funds.

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Tariff: Senate passed (motion to reconsider tabled) H.R. 11573, to provide duty-free importation of certain scientific equipment for educational or research purposes, after adopting committee amendments and an amendment by Senator Anderson respecting housing for personnel of NASA at Huntsville, Ala. Page 18067

Confirmations: The following nominations were confirmed: Three U.N. nominations, including those of James J. Wadsworth, of New York, to be U.S. Representative to U.N. with rank and status of Ambassador, Representative in U.N. Security Council, and Representative to 15th session of U.N. General Assembly; numerous Foreign Service nominations, including Edwin M. Martin, of Ohio, to be an Assistant Secretary of State, and 7 to be Ambassadors, as follows—Roy R. Rubottom, Jr., of Texas, to Argentina, Christian M. Ravnald, of Iowa, to Czechoslovakia, Henry S. Villard, of New York, to Federation of Mali, Frederic P. Bartlett, of New York, to Malagasy Republic, Charles R. Burrows, of Ohio, to Honduras, Robert Newbegin, of New Hampshire, to Haiti, and Fraser Wilkins, of Nebraska,

to Republic of Cyprus; two judicial, including Arthur S. Lane, of New Jersey, to be an Assistant Attorney General; numerous civilian nominations, including Byron D. Woodside, of Virginia, to be member of SEC, and Joseph J. Williams, Jr., of Virginia, to be member of Federal Home Loan Bank Board; and numerous nominations in all branches of the Armed Services, including Gen. Lyman L. Lemnitzer, to be Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Gen. George H. Decker, to be Chief of Staff, U.S. Army.

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Recess: Recessed at 1:35 a.m.

Committee Meetings

SECOND SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS

Committee on Appropriations: Committee, in executive session, marked up and ordered favorably reported with amendments H.R. 13161, second supplemental appropriations for fiscal 1961. As approved by the committee the bill would provide a total of \$305,042,731, an increase of \$213,957,250 over the House-passed figure of \$91,085,481.

Prior to these actions, committee held open hearings on the bill, with testimony from Senator Fong and other witnesses on funds for the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare; from Under Secretary of State C. Douglas Dillon and his associates on mutual security funds; from representatives of the Departments of State and Commerce, and of the U.S. Information Agency on funds for the President's Special International Program; and from Merrill Whitman, Assistant to the Governor, Panama Canal Government, on funds for the Panama Canal.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. Its next meeting will be held on Monday, August 29, at 12 o'clock noon.

Committee Meetings

WATERSHED

Committee on Agriculture: Subcommittee on Conservation and Credit approved watershed projects in Virginia, Maryland, Texas, Georgia, and Hawaii. Testimony was presented by Representatives Tuck, Smith of Virginia, Johnson of Maryland, Fisher, Haley, and Landrum. Adjourned subject to call of the Chair.

HOME LOAN BANK BOARD

Committee on Government Operations: Special Subcommittee on Home Loan Bank Board continued hearings on matters regarding the Board. Testimony was heard from Albert Robertson, Chairman, Home Loan Bank Board; members, Home Loan Bank Board; and president, Long Beach Building and Loan Association.

GRAIN STORAGE

Committee on Government Operations: Subcommittee on Intergovernmental Relations, in executive session, continued consideration of reports relating to grain storage activities and price support and production adjustment activities.